IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:12-CV-649-FDW-DCK

LEONARD FRYE,)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	<u>ORDER</u>
CAROLYN W. COLVIN,)	
Acting Commissioner of Social Security,)	
Defendant.)	

THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT on Defendant's "Consent Motion For Order Accepting The Parties' Settlement Agreement On Attorney Fees And Costs" (Document No. 17) filed July 10, 2013. This motion has been referred to the undersigned Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §636(b)(1)(B), and immediate review is appropriate. Having carefully considered the motion and record, and applicable authority, and noting consent of Plaintiff's counsel, the undersigned will grant the motion.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the "Consent Motion For Order Accepting The Parties' Settlement Agreement On Attorney Fees And Costs" (Document No. 17) is hereby GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the United States Social Security Administration shall pay attorney's fees in the amount of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500.00) in full satisfaction of any and all attorney's fee claims Plaintiff may have in this case under EAJA. Pursuant to the United States Supreme Court's ruling in <u>Astrue v. Ratliff</u>, 130 S. Ct. 2521 (2010), these attorney's fees are payable to Plaintiff as the prevailing party, and are subject to offset through the Treasury Department's Offset Program to satisfy any pre-existing debt Plaintiff may owe to the government.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: July 11, 2013

David C. Keesler

United States Magistrate Judge